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ABD Comparison of Views re NSC 4-A and Hillenkoetter Position in
September - December 1947

RHH remembered on Dec 2 (as on Oct 22)
that he expressed his opposition to combining py and SI when "304/11"
came to the Council
but he did not recall his memo of Sept
24, 1947 to Souers re a central
organization.

ABD - Conclusion re
MS: Keep first
sentence, but clear
[that] his reluc-
tance [stems] from
[his] opposition to
the directive. My
inference is wrong.
Cite the interviews.

Souers and Lay after my talk with Lay recalled and insisted
upon the "point" that RHH had never objected to the
"assignment" by the Council. - They had consulted with
him and his staff.

In this divergence of recollections it seems to me the distinction
is clear.

RHH kept his personal opinions apart from official
responsibility*

The job had to be done soon

The agent, whether he liked it or not, was - he and CIA

Besides his "Pages" gave him an order on
Nov. 14, 1947

He participated in drafting the details and making the arrange-
ments to carry out the order.

*As he said to me, he was not given his own
choice-he could not decline to do.

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ABSTRACT NOTATION REFERENCES

Rough notes on developments which led to the adoption of NSC 4A. [Note: Mr. Darling used much, but not all of this material in the preparation of his report]

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Notes by A. E. DARLING
on NSC - 4A its
origins, evolution etc.

much of this is
reflected in his completed
report but not all of it.

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Memo re Psychological Warfare
and OPC - PSB

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From reading materials which [] brought from OPC and the Magnitude Paper in Jackson's "Survey" I find:

1. NSC 4A, 17 December 1947, was addressed to the DCI designating CIA as the logical agency.
 - a. The DCI to initiate and conduct covert psych. operations to counteract Soviet activities.
 - b. He was to keep other agencies informed.
2. NSC 10/2, 18 June 1948, superseded NSC 4A. It created OSP (later OPC). It made DCI responsible as had NSC 4A. Disagreements between DCI and State or Defense were to be referred to NSC. However, covert economic warfare was to be conducted by OSP "under guidance" of the departments and agencies responsible for planning econ. warfare (ABD - Note that "guidance") NSC 10/2 explained covert operations in detail.

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3. The "Magnitude Paper" is an elaborate presentation of "scope and pace." It was made in OPC for DCI. It gives careful analysis, conclusions, and recommendations. It refers to the new PSB. Where covert operations concern more than one department, "guidance" should be coordinated and issued to CIA by PSB.
(ABD - Note: PSB is called new. Find date of its origin, presumably in April 1951.)

April 4, 1951

4. NSC 10/5, 23 October 1951, or rather the working paper for it from OPC amounts to approving the expansion indicated in the "Magnitude Paper." It directs PSB to have this program include covert operations. It reaffirms the responsibility and authority of DCI for covert operations.
(ABD - Note: This confirmed Smith's reversal of Hillenkoetter's policy.) (See Little's "History" for the agreement of August 1948.)
The NSC further requested Defense to provide means for DCI to be assured of JCS' support with "paramilitary operations."

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(AED- Note: I do not find in it specific statement concerning funds except that PSB should be responsible for "coordinating action to insure the provision of adequate personnel, funds, and logistical and other support" to the DCI and the Departments of State and Defense for "carrying out any approved program of covert operations." Apparently this is what led to the discussion which I endeavored to epitomize in the letter for DCI to the President last December. What has happened since then I do not know.)

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